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SCOPE FOR ELECTROLOGIST EXAMINATION

THE LICENSE EXAMINATION

The examination consists of two parts, a written part and practical part.

To pass the examination, you must achieve all of the following:

1. A total score of at least 300 points (75% out of a possible 400 points)
2. A score of at least 225 on the practical part
3. A score of at least 70 on the written part

NOTE: It is possible to achieve the minimum required score on both the practical part and the written part and **not** pass the examination. Applicants who achieve between 70-74 points on the written part must achieve a score greater than 225 on the practical part which, when added to the written score, makes the total score at least 300 points.

If you pass you will be issued a license immediately.

If you fail you will be given a form showing the scores in each category, the areas of failure, and an application form for re-examination with instructions.

SCOPE OF THE WRITTEN PART

100 POINTS

The written part consists of 100 multiple-choice questions in the following areas:

1. General Subjects: (a) Barbering and Cosmetology Act, (b) Rules and Regulations, (c) sanitation and sterilization, (d) safety procedures, (e) client consultation and analysis.
2. Anatomy and Physiology: (a) dermatology, (b) trichology, (c) neurology, (d) bacteriology.
3. Electricity: (a) general knowledge, (b) safety procedures.
4. Basic Procedures: (a) electrology, (b) thermology, (c) blend.

NOTE: Due to the ongoing evaluation of our examination questions, some examinations may contain 115 items, however, only 100 of the items will be used to compute a passing grade towards licensure.

SCOPE OF THE PRACTICAL PART

300 POINTS

The examiner will observe and grade your ability to remove hair by **electrolysis, thermolysis, or blend** at job entry level and also to grade you in the following areas:

1. Accurate insertion of probe
2. Balance of the current and setting
3. Epilation of the unwanted hair
4. Set-up of equipment and machines
5. Preparation of the patron for the operation
6. Maintenance of proper sanitation and protection for you and your model
7. Demonstration of the basic skills needed to perform other allied operations
8. Personal cleanliness of hair, nails, and attire

CAUTION
APPLICANTS NOT COMPLYING WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS AND
REQUIREMENTS LISTED COULD BE DENIED ADMISSION TO THE EXAMINATION

(OVER)

EXAMINATION INSTRUCTIONS AND EQUIPMENT LIST

1. Each applicant must appear for the practical part of the examination dressed in a uniform with no marks of identification. Female applicants shall wear white dress-type uniforms or white uniform jackets with slacks or skirts of any color. Male applicants shall wear white uniform jackets with slacks of any color. (All other clothing and wearing apparel must be appropriate and meet requirements of sanitation and safety.)
2. Upon entering the examination facility, all applicants, models, interpreters, and interpreter/models MUST **present VALID, CURRENT** government-issued photographic identification card such as:
 - (a) A photographic Driver's License (any state), Passport, photographic Alien Registration, or California Photographic I.D. card available from the Department of Motor Vehicles. All photographs must be recognizable as the person to whom the identification card was issued.
 - (b) The applicant must present an admission letter for admission to the examination site.
 - (c) The interpreter and/or interpreter model must present a pre-authorized Form H, in addition to appropriate photographic identification as listed above.
3. It is the applicant's responsibility to appear at the practical part of the examination with a person (male or female) at least 15 years of age who will submit to modeling for the demonstration of electrolysis, thermolysis, or blend. Each applicant must have his or her own individual model. The hair to be removed during the demonstration should be of sufficient size (thickness) to be easily seen under minimum magnification.
4. The following may **not** be used as models in the electrology exam (Section 931 of the Board's Rules and Regulations):
 - a person less than 15 years of age
 - a current or former student of a barbering, cosmetology or electrology school
 - a school owner or employee
 - an operator or instructor in barbering or cosmetology or any of its branches who is licensed by this or any other state
 - a person who has been, or is currently enrolled in an apprentice program for barbering, cosmetology or electrology
 - It is strongly suggested that pregnant women not be used as models.

A **male** model **can** be used in the electrologist examination.

5. The applicant is responsible to appear at the examination with a sufficient quantity of supplies, the required instruments (in proper working order and sanitary condition), and patron protection to demonstrate the act of hair removal by electrolysis, thermolysis, or the blend modalities.
6. The following minimum **supplies** and equipment will be **required** for the **practical part of the examination**:
(The check boxes are provided for the applicant's convenience when assembling these items.)

- ☐ Electrolysis, Thermolysis or Blend Machine
- ☐ Lamp
- ☐ Assortment of Filaments or Probes
- ☐ 1 Container for Preparation of Wet Sanitizer
- ☐ 8-oz. Disinfectant Solution that Meets Requirements of Board Regulation
- ☐ Tweezers
- ☐ Forceps
- ☐ Marked Container for Soiled Implements
- ☐ Two Extension Cords with three-prong Plugs
- ☐ Marked Container for Waste Materials
- ☐ Sanitizing Agent
- ☐ Towels or Materials for Draping Treatment Area
- ☐ Post Treatment Solutions
- ☐ Sanitary Spatulas or Applicators
- ☐ Cotton in Sanitary Container
- ☐ Magnification Device